

“(a) Notwithstanding any provision of this Act [this chapter], the aggregate (gross) rate of compensation of any employee immediately prior to the effective date of this Act [Jan. 1, 1965] shall not be reduced by reason of the enactment of this Act.

“(b) For the purposes of applicable law relating to the payment to any individual of compensation from more than one civilian office or position, each employee of the House to whom this Act applies who, immediately prior to the effective date of this Act—

“(1) is receiving basic compensation from more than one civilian office or position and

“(2) is in compliance with such law shall be held and considered to be in compliance with such law on and after such effective date, notwithstanding the enactment of this Act, so long as such employee continues to receive, without break in service of more than thirty days, the same or lower rate of basic compensation in a position to which this Act does not apply.”

## § 292. Positions affected

This chapter shall apply to—

(1) all positions under the Clerk, the Sergeant at Arms, the Chief Administrative Officer, and the Inspector General of the House of Representatives, except the positions of telephone operator and positions on the United States Capitol Police force;

(2) the position of minority pair clerk in the House;

(3) all positions under the House Recording Studio; and

(4) all positions under the House Radio and Television Correspondents' Gallery and the House Periodical Press Gallery.

(Pub. L. 88-652, §3, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1079; Pub. L. 104-53, title I, §108(1), Nov. 19, 1995, 109 Stat. 522.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 88-652, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1079, known as the House Employees Position Classification Act, which enacted this chapter and amended sections 88c and 123b of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 291 of this title and Tables.

### AMENDMENTS

1995—Par. (1). Pub. L. 104-53 substituted “Chief Administrative Officer, and the Inspector General” for “Doorkeeper, and the Postmaster.”.

## § 293. Compensation schedules

(a)(1) The Committee on House Oversight of the House of Representatives (hereinafter referred to as the “committee”) shall establish and maintain, and, from time to time, may revise, for positions to which this chapter applies (other than positions within the purview of subsection (b) of this section the compensation for which is fixed and adjusted from time to time in accordance with prevailing rates), a compensation schedule of per annum rates, which shall be known as the “House Employees Schedule” and for which the symbol shall be “HS”, subject to the following provisions:

(A) Such schedule shall be composed of such number of compensation levels as the committee deems appropriate.

(B) Each compensation level shall consist of twelve compensation steps.

(C) The per annum rate of compensation for each compensation step of each compensation level shall be in such amount as the committee deems appropriate, except that the per annum rate of compensation for the maximum compensation step of the highest compensation level shall not exceed the maximum rate of compensation authorized by chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5.

(2) The rates of compensation for such positions shall be in accordance with such schedule.

(b) The committee shall establish and maintain, and, from time to time, may revise, for positions under the Clerk, the Sergeant at Arms, the Chief Administrative Officer, and the Inspector General of the House of Representatives, the compensation for which, in the judgment of the committee, should be fixed and adjusted from time to time in accordance with prevailing rates, a compensation schedule providing for per annum or per hour rates, or both, established in accordance with prevailing rates and consisting of such number of compensation levels and steps as the committee deems appropriate, which shall be known as the “House Wage Schedule” and for which the symbol shall be “HWS”. The rates of compensation for such positions shall be in accordance with such schedule. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, for purposes of applying the adjustment made by the committee under this subsection for 2002 and each succeeding year (other than any period during which a memorandum of understanding described in section 2168(a) of this title is in effect), positions under the Chief Administrative Officer shall include positions of the United States Capitol telephone exchange under the Chief Administrative Officer.

(Pub. L. 88-652, §4, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1079; Pub. L. 104-53, title I, §108(2), Nov. 19, 1995, 109 Stat. 522; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §209(1), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1743; Pub. L. 107-68, title III, §310, Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 592; Pub. L. 108-447, div. G, title II, §215(d), Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3198.)

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### AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 108-447 in last sentence substituted “succeeding year (other than any period during which a memorandum of understanding described in section 2168(a) of this title is in effect),” for “succeeding year.”.

2001—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 107-68 inserted at end “Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, for purposes of applying the adjustment made by the committee under this subsection for 2002 and each succeeding year, positions under the Chief Administrative Officer shall include positions of the United States Capitol telephone exchange under the Chief Administrative Officer.”

1996—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “House Oversight” for “House Administration”.

1995—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-53 substituted “Chief Administrative Officer, and the Inspector General” for “Doorkeeper, and the Postmaster.”.